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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in this application:

Please cancel claim 103 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Listing of Claims:

1. - 89. (Cancelled).

90. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for routing a message, message set or a session setup request in a communication network from a first network of a first type to a second network of a second type, wherein the first network is a switched telephone network,~~ the method comprising:

initiating a message, message set or session setup request in a first network, wherein the first network comprises a the switched telephone network,

routing the message, message set or session setup request from the switched telephone network to a media gateway control function of a the second network of a different type from the first network, and

routing the message, message set or session setup request from the media gateway control function to a breakout gateway control function,

the breakout gateway control function deciding on the routing of the message, message set or session setup request.

91. (Currently Amended) A system ~~for routing a message, message set or a session setup request in a communication network from a first network of a first type to a second network of a second type, wherein the first network is a switched telephone network,~~ the system comprising:

means for initiating a message, message set or session setup request in a first network, wherein the first network comprises a the switched telephone network,

means for routing the message, message set or session setup request from the switched telephone network to a media gateway control function of ~~a~~ the second network of a different type from the first network, and

means for routing the message, message set or session setup request from the media gateway control function to a breakout gateway control function of the second network,

wherein the breakout gateway control function is adapted to decide on the routing of the message, message set or session setup request.

92. (Currently Amended) A media gateway control function ~~for routing a message, message set or a session setup request~~, comprising:

means for receiving a message, message set or session set up request from a first network of a first type, wherein the first network comprises ~~being~~ a switched telephone network, and

means for routing the message, message set or session setup request to a breakout gateway control function of a second network of a second type different from the first type, the media gateway control function being provided in the second network.

93. (Previously Presented) The media gateway control function according to claim 92, wherein the switched telephone network is a circuit switched network and the second network is a packet switched network.

94. (Currently Amended) A breakout gateway control function ~~for routing a message, message set or a session setup request~~, comprising:

means for receiving a message, message set or session setup request from a media gateway control function, the message, message set or session setup request being initiated in a first network of a first type, and

means for deciding on the routing the received message, message set or session set up request,

wherein the first network is a switched telephone network, and the media gateway control function and the breakout gateway control function are provided in a second network of a second type different from the first type.

95. (Previously Presented) The breakout gateway control function according to claim 94, wherein the decision is based on an identifier received with the message, message set or a session setup request.

96. (Previously Presented) The breakout gateway control function according to claim 94, wherein the decision is routing the received message, message set or session set up request to an interrogating call state control function or to another breakout gateway control function.

97. (Previously Presented) The breakout gateway control function according to claim 94, wherein the breakout gateway control function serves as a transit exchange, and/or the switched telephone network is a circuit switched network and the second network is a packet switched network.

98. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for routing a message, a message set or a session setup request~~, comprising:

receiving a message, message set or session setup request, at a media gateway control function, from a first network of a first type, the first network comprising being a switched telephone network, and

routing the message, message set or session setup request from the media gateway control function to a breakout gateway control function of a second network of a second type different from the first type, ~~the media gateway control function being provided in the second network~~.

99. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for routing a message, message set or a session setup request~~, comprising:

receiving a message, message set or session setup request from a media gateway control function, the message, message set or session setup request being initiated in a first network of a first type, and

deciding on the routing the received message, message set or session setup request,

wherein the first network is a switched telephone network, and the media gateway control function and a breakout gateway control function to which the media gateway control function routes the received message, message set or session setup request ~~carrying out the method~~ are provided in a second network of a second type different from the first type.

100. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 99, wherein the decision is based on an identifier received with the message, message set or a session setup request.

101. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 99, wherein the decision is routing the message, message set or a session setup request to an interrogating call state control function in the second network or to another breakout gateway control function in another network.

102. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 99, wherein the breakout gateway control function serves as a transit exchange, and/or

the switched telephone network is a circuit switched network and the second network is a packet switched network.

103. (Canceled).